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Item 1 of the provisional agenda*
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Proposed programme of work for the substantive session of 2011

Date		*Programme*	*Documentation***
Week of 4-8 July 2011			
Monday, 4 July		**Opening of the session**	
9.15 a.m.	Item 1	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters[1]	Annotated provisional agenda (E/2011/100) Proposed programme of work (E/2011/L.12) Status of documentation for the session (E/2011/L.11)
		High-level segment	
9.30-10 a.m.	Item 2	*Opening of the high-level segment* • *Opening statements*	
10-11 a.m.		• *Keynote addresses*	
11 a.m.-12 p.m.	Item 2 (b)	• *Key messages from the annual ministerial review preparatory meetings*	

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** The documentation listed hereunder represents only those documents that will be introduced during the substantive session or that contain recommendations for action by the Council. For the complete list of documents that will be considered by the Council under each agenda item, please refer to the status of documentation for the session (E/2011/L.11) and the subsequent updated status of documentation (E/2011/CRP.1 (English only)).

[1] Item 1 remains open throughout the substantive session and includes the consideration of applications of intergovernmental organizations for observer status with the Council and requests from non-governmental organizations to be heard by the Council.

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Date		*Programme*	*Documentation***
12-1 p.m.	Item 2 (*continued*)	*Special policy dialogue on "Accelerating education for all (EFA): mobilizing resources and partnerships"*	
		Interactive discussion	
3-4.30 p.m.	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	*Annual ministerial review special event: face to face debate on "Education, human rights and conflict"*	
		Interactive discussion	
4.30-6.30 p.m.	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	Annual ministerial review:	
		Voluntary national presentations:	
		• Malawi	
		Interactive discussion	
		• Mexico	
		Interactive discussion	
Tuesday, 5 July			
10-11.45 a.m.	Item 2 (a)	*High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions on current developments in the world economy*	
		Interactive discussion	
11.45 a.m.-12 p.m.		*Introduction of the report*	World Economic and Social Survey, 2011: The Great Green Technological Transformation (E/2011/50)
12-1 p.m.	Item 2 (*continued*)	*Special policy dialogue on "Education for sustainable development"*	
		Interactive discussion	
3-6 p.m.[2]	Item 2 (*continued*)	High-level segment	

[2] Parallel meetings.

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	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	Annual ministerial review implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to education	Report of the Secretary-General on the theme of the annual ministerial review: implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regard to education (E/2011/83)
	Item 2 (c)	Thematic discussion current global and national trends and challenges and their impact on education	Report on the Secretary-General on current global and national trends and challenges and their impact on education (E/2011/82)
		Introduction of the reports	Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its thirteenth session (E/2011/33)
		General debate	
4-6 p.m.[2]	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	Annual ministerial review	
		Voluntary national presentations:	
		• Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela	
		Interactive discussion	
		• Bangladesh	
		Interactive discussion	
Wednesday, 6 July			
10 a.m.-12 p.m.	Item 2 (*continued*)	*Special panel discussion on "Promoting sustained, inclusive and equitable growth for accelerating poverty eradication and achievement of the Millennium Development Goals"*	
		Interactive discussion	
12-1 p.m.	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	Annual ministerial review	
		Voluntary national presentations:	
		• Turkey	
		Interactive discussion	
3-6 p.m.[2]	Item 2 (*continued*)	High-level segment	
		General debate	
3-6 p.m.[2]	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	Annual ministerial review	
		Voluntary national presentations:	

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		• Pakistan	
		Interactive discussion	
		• Germany	
		Interactive discussion	
		• Qatar	
		Interactive discussion	
Thursday, 7 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 2 (*continued*)	*Special policy dialogue on "Education challenges in Africa and the least developed countries"*	
		Interactive discussion	
3-3.30 p.m.		*Keynote address by the Secretary-General of the United Nations*	
3.30-6.30 p.m.[2]	Item 2 (*continued*)	High-level segment	
		General debate	
3.30-6.30 p.m.[2]	Item 2 (b) (*continued*)	Annual ministerial review	
		Voluntary national presentations:	
		• Mauritius	
		Interactive discussion	
		• Belarus	
		Interactive discussion	
		• Senegal	
		Interactive discussion	
Friday, 8 July			
10 a.m.-12.30 p.m.	Item 2 (c) (*continued*)	*Thematic panel discussion on "Education for the future — changing needs"*	
		Interactive discussion	

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12.30-1 p.m.	Item 2 (*continued*)	High-level segment	
		Adoption of the ministerial declaration	
		Conclusion of the high-level segment	
3-6 p.m.		*Dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions on the theme "Regional cooperation as a catalyst for development: examples from the regions"*	
		Interactive discussion	
Week of 11-15 July 2011			
Monday, 11 July		**Coordination segment**	
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Opening of the coordination segment*	
		Opening remarks	
	Item 6 (a)	Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development	Report of the Secretary-General on recovering from the world financial and economic crisis: a Global Jobs Pact (E/2011/92)
		Introduction of the report	
		General discussion	
3-6 p.m.		*Panel discussion on "Global economic governance and development: enhancing the coherence and consistency of the international monetary, financial and trading systems"*	
		Interactive discussion	
Tuesday, 12 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Panel discussion on "Building on Istanbul: financial support for development efforts of least developed countries, including through South-South and triangular cooperation"*	
		Interactive discussion	

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3-4 p.m.	Item 7 (a)	Reports of coordination bodies *Introduction of the report* *General discussion*	Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination
4-6 p.m.		*Special event to commemorate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Right to Development* *Interactive discussion*	
Wednesday, 13 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 4	The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council	Report of the Secretary-General on the role of the United Nations system in implementing the internationally agreed development goals and commitments in regard to gender equality and the empowerment of women (E/2011/85)
	Item 7 (e)	Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system *Introduction of the reports* *Panel discussion on "Leadership, coordination and accountability: evaluating the United Nations system's work on gender equality and women's empowerment"* *Interactive discussion*	Report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system (E/2011/114)
3-6 p.m.	Item 4 (*continued*)	The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council	
	Item 7 (e) (*continued*)	Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system *Panel discussion on "Countering gender discrimination and negative gender stereotypes: effective policy responses"* *Interactive discussion*	

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Thursday, 14 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 4 (*continued*)	The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2010 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council	
	Item 7 (a) (*continued*)	Reports of coordination bodies	
	Item 7 (e) (*continued*)	Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system	
		General discussion	
		Action on draft proposals	
		Conclusion of the coordination segment	
		Operational activities segment	
3-3.30 p.m.		*Opening of the operational activities segment*	
		Opening remarks	
3.30-6 p.m.		*Panel discussion on the 2012 quadrennial comprehensive policy review of the General Assembly: "What are the expectations: issues, process and outcome?"*	
		Interactive discussion	
Friday, 15 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Dialogue with the executive heads of United Nations funds and programmes: "Looking to the future of operational activities for development of funds and programmes: strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats"*	
		Interactive discussion	

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3-3.30 p.m.		*Special update on "Progress of independent evaluation of delivering-as-one"* *Presentation*	
3.30-6 p.m.		*Panel discussion on "Strengthening the leadership of the United Nations resident coordinator: role of accountability frameworks, resources and results reporting"* *Interactive discussion*	
Week of 18-22 July 2011			
Monday, 18 July			
10 a.m.-12 p.m.		*Special dialogue on "How to define the concept of 'critical mass' of core resources?"* *Interactive discussion*	
12-1 p.m.	Item 3 (a)	Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council *Introduction of the reports* *General discussion*	Report of the Secretary-General on analysis of the funding of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2009 (A/66/79-E/2011/107) Report of the Secretary-General on results achieved and measures and processes implemented in follow-up to General Assembly resolution 62/208 on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (E/2011/112) Report of the Secretary-General on simplification and harmonization of the United Nations development system (E/2011/88) Report of the Secretary-General on the functioning of the resident coordinator system, including costs and benefits (E/2011/86)
3-5.30 p.m.	Item 3	Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation	

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	Item 3 (a) (*continued*)	Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council	
	Item 3 (b)	Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, and the World Food Programme	
		General discussion	
5.30-6 p.m.		*Action on draft proposals*	
		Summary of the key messages	
		Conclusion of the operational activities segment	
Tuesday, 19 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Economic and Social Council event to discuss the transition from relief to development: "The role of the United Nations and the international community in supporting the capacity of the Government of South Sudan to manage the transition"*	
		Interactive discussion	
		Humanitarian affairs segment	
3-6 p.m.		*Opening of the humanitarian affairs segment*	
		Opening remarks	
	Item 5	Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance	Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (A/66/81-E/2011/117)
		Introduction of the report	
		General discussion	
Wednesday, 20 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Panel discussion on "Preparing for the future — predictable, effective, flexible and adequate humanitarian financing and its accountable use to*	

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		meet the evolving needs and challenges for the delivery of humanitarian assistance"	
		Interactive discussion	
3-6 p.m.	Item 5 (*continued*)	Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance	
		General discussion	
Thursday, 21 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Panel discussion on "Strengthening resilience, preparedness and capacities for humanitarian response"*	
		Interactive discussion	
3-6 p.m.	Item 5 (*continued*)	Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance	
		General discussion	
		Adoption of draft proposals	
		Conclusion of the humanitarian affairs segment	
Friday, 22 July		**General segment**	
10-11 a.m.		*Opening of the general segment*	
		Opening remarks	
	Item 7 (f)	African countries emerging from conflict	
		Briefing by the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission	
		Interactive discussion	
11 a.m.-12 p.m.	Item 7 (d)	Long-term programme of support for Haiti	Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti
		Introduction of the report	
		General discussion	
12-1 p.m.	Item 7	Coordination, programme and other questions	

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	Item 7 (a) (*continued*)	Reports of coordination bodies	Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its fifty-first session (A/66/16)
	Item 7 (b)	Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013	
	Item 7 (h)	Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields	Provisional calendar of conferences and meetings for 2012-2013 in the economic, social and related fields
	Item 15	United Nations research and training institutes	Report on the activities of the United Nations System Staff College (E/2011/116)
		Introduction of the reports	Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 2009/27 concerning the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (E/2011/115)
		General discussion	
		Action on recommendations contained in the reports	
		Action on draft proposals	Report of the Council of the United Nations University on the work of the University
3-6 p.m.	Item 6	Implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits	
	Item 6 (b)	Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010	
	Item 8	Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265	
		General discussion	
		Action on draft proposals	
Week of 25-29 July 2011			
Monday, 25 July			
10-11.30 a.m.	Item 9	Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations	Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (A/66/80-E/2011/111)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations (A/66/63)

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	Item 11	Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan	Note by the Secretary-General on the economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan (A/66/78-E/2011/13)
		Introduction of the reports	
		General discussion	
		Action on recommendations contained in the reports	
		Action on draft proposals	
11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 10	Regional cooperation	Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields (E/2011/15 and Add.1 and 2)
		Introduction of the reports	
		General discussion	The economic situation in the Economic Commission for Europe region: Europe, North America and the Commonwealth of Independent States in 2010-2011 (E/2011/16)
		Action on recommendations contained in the reports	
		Action on draft proposals	Overview of the economic and social conditions in Africa, 2011 (E/2011/17)
			Summary of the economic and social survey of Asia and the Pacific, 2011 (E/2011/18)
			Latin America and the Caribbean: economic situation and outlook, 2010-2011 (E/2011/19)
			Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region, 2010-2011 (E/2011/20)
			Note by the Secretary-General on the project for a Europe-Africa fixed link through the Strait of Gibraltar (E/2011/21)
3-6 p.m.	Item 12	Non-governmental organizations	Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2011 regular session (E/2011/32 (Part I))
		General discussion	
		Action on recommendations contained in the reports	Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations on its 2011 resumed session (E/2011/32 (Part II))
		Action on draft proposals	

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Tuesday, 26 July			
10-11.30 a.m.	Item 7 (c)	International cooperation in the field of informatics	Report of the Secretary-General on international cooperation in the field of infomatics (E/2011/101)
	Item 13 (b)	Science and technology for development *Introduction of the reports* *General discussion* *Action on recommendations contained in the reports* *Action on draft proposals*	Report of the Secretary-General on progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society at the regional and international levels (A/66/64-E/2011/77) Report of the Secretary-General on enhanced cooperation on public policy issues pertaining to the Internet (A/66/77-E/2011/103) Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its fourteenth session (E/2011/31)
11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	Item 13 (l)	Women and development	
	Item 14 (a)	Advancement of women *General discussion* *Action on recommendations contained in the report* *Action on draft proposals*	Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-fifth session (E/2011/27)
3-4.30 p.m.		*Briefing by the Committee on Development Policy* *Interactive discussion*	
4.30-6 p.m.	Item 7 (g)	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (E/2011/109)
	Item 14 (i)	Genetic privacy and non-discrimination *Introduction of the reports* *General discussion* *Action on recommendations contained in the reports* *Action on draft proposals*	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization on genetic privacy and non-discrimination (E/2011/108)

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Wednesday, 27 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.	Item 13	Economic and environmental questions	
	Item 13 (a)	Sustainable development	Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its nineteenth session (E/2011/29)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the integrated analysis of United Nations system support to small island developing States (E/2011/110)
	Item 13 (c)	Statistics	Report of the Statistical Commission on its forty-second session (E/2011/24)
	Item 13 (d)	Human settlements	Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme at its twenty-third session (A/66/8)
			Report of the Secretary-General on coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (E/2011/106)
	Item 13 (e)	Environment	Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme/Global Ministerial Environment Forum on its twenty-sixth session (A/66/25)
	Item 13 (f)	Population and development	Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-fourth session (E/2011/25)
	Item 13 (g)	Public administration and development	Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its tenth session (E/2011/44)
	Item 13 (h)	International cooperation in tax matters	Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening of institutional arrangements to promote international cooperation in tax matters, including the United Nations Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (E/2011/76)
			Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its sixth session (E/2010/45)
	Item 13 (i)	United Nations Forum on Forests	Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its ninth session (E/2011/42)

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	Item 13 (j)	Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions	
	Item 13 (k)	Cartography	Report of the Secretary-General on global geographic information management (E/2011/89)
			Report of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names on the work of its twenty-sixth session (E/2011/119)
	Item 13 (m)	Transport of dangerous goods	Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (E/2011/91)
		Introduction of the reports	
		General discussion	
		Action on recommendations contained in the reports	
		Action on draft proposals	
Thursday, 28 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.	Item 14	Social and human rights questions	
	Item 14 (b)	Social development	Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-ninth session (E/2011/26)
			Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family and beyond
			Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the World Programme of Action for Youth
	Item 14 (c)	Crime prevention and criminal justice	Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its twentieth session (E/2011/30)
	Item 14 (d)	Narcotic drugs	Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-fourth session (E/2011/28)
			Report of the International Narcotics Control Board for 2010 (E/INCB/2010/1)
	Item 14 (e)	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
	Item 14 (f)	Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action	

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	Item 14 (g)	Human rights	Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on its forty-fourth and forty-fifth sessions (E/2011/22) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (E/2011/90)
	Item 14 (h)	Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues *Introduction of the reports* *General discussion* *Action on recommendations contained in the reports* *Action on draft proposals*	Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its tenth session (E/2011/43)
Friday, 29 July			
10 a.m.-1 p.m.		*Action on outstanding draft proposals*	
3-6 p.m.		*Action on outstanding draft proposals* *Conclusion of the work of the Council at its substantive session of 2011*	

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Economic and environmental questions: international cooperation in tax matters

Argentina: draft resolution**

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 2004/69 of 11 November 2004, in which the Council decided that the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters would be renamed the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters,

Recognizing the call made in the Monterrey Consensus of the International Conference on Financing for Development[1] for the strengthening of international tax cooperation through enhanced dialogue among national tax authorities and greater coordination of the work of the concerned multilateral bodies and relevant regional organizations, giving special attention to the needs of developing countries and countries with economies in transition,[2]

Welcoming the request to the Economic and Social Council made in the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development[3] and the Outcome of the Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and its Impact on Development[4] to examine the strengthening of the institutional arrangements to promote international

* See E/2011/1.

** On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18-22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

[2] Ibid., para. 64.

[3] General Assembly resolution 63/239, annex.

[4] General Assembly resolution 63/303, annex

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cooperation in tax matters, including the United Nations Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters,[5]

Recognizing that while each country is responsible for its tax system, it is important to support efforts in these areas by strengthening technical assistance and enhancing international cooperation and participation in addressing international tax matters, including in the area of double taxation,

Recognizing the need for an inclusive, participatory and broad-based dialogue on international cooperation in tax matters,

Noting the activities developing within the concerned multilateral bodies and relevant subregional and regional organizations,

Taking note of the report of the Secretary-General on the strengthening of institutional arrangements to promote international cooperation in tax matters, including the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters,[6]

Welcoming the convening of a discussion within the Council on 26 April 2011 on international cooperation in tax matters,

Noting with concern that the present budget of the Committee is insufficient to allow it to properly discharge its functions,

1. *Decides* to convert the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters into an intergovernmental subsidiary body of the Economic and Social Council, with the following characteristics:

I. Size and composition

The Committee shall consist of representatives of forty-seven States to be elected by the Economic and Social Council from among the States Members of the United Nations for four-year terms, with due regard to equitable geographical distribution.

The regional allocation of seats shall be according to the following pattern: (a) thirteen members from African States; (b) thirteen members from Asian States; (c) eight members from Latin American and Caribbean States; (d) six members from Eastern European States; and (e) seven members from Western European and other States.

II. Mandate and operations

The Committee shall:

(a) Make recommendations to the Economic and Social Council on issues concerning international cooperation in tax matters, including, inter alia, the formulation of norms and the promotion of cooperative policies and practices in this area;

(b) Keep under review United Nations manuals and model conventions on international tax issues and shall cooperate with other international and regional organizations on new and emerging international tax cooperation-related issues;

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[5] General Assembly resolution 63/239, annex, para. 16; and Assembly resolution 63/303, annex, para. 56 (c).

[6] E/2011/76.

(c) Convene its first meeting in 2011, in Geneva, and meet biannually thereafter, in New York, and shall also endeavour to hold technically focused meetings of its subsidiary bodies at more frequent intervals;

(d) In its first year of operation, invite the members currently appointed to the Committee of Experts to participate in the new Committee as advisers in their personal capacity.

III. Technical support

The Committee shall be serviced by an adequate and dedicated technical staff, which shall, inter alia, help collect and disseminate information on tax policies and practices, in collaboration with other relevant international entities, and organize technical assistance projects on international tax issues, as requested by Member States.